Witnesses say GMA in tears after seeing bishop

By Christian V. Esguerra

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Joker tells opposition: Stop whining, work, work, work



Garci flees via Singapore



"FLIGHT is an evidence of guilt," says the opposition of former Comelec Commissioner Virgilio Garcillano here shown in happier times.

He left July 14 aboard RP-P1426, Subic Air Learjet

By Volt Contreras and Michael Lim Ubac

IN SPITE of an air-sea manhunt in the Philippines, the elusive Virgilio Garcillano has slipped out to Singapore and left for an unknown destination, the Department of Foreign Affairs yesterday cited a Singapore report as saying.

Opposition safe house raided

Gov't troops seize evidence of 'cheating'

By Luige A. del Puerto and Edson C. Tandoc Jr.

POLICE and military operatives barged into a house in San Mateo, Rizal, early yesterday and seized boxes of election returns, prompting the camp of ex-vice presidential candidate Loren Legarda to cry political harassment.



"DEFINITELY, these were prepared outside a precinct," Segundo Tabayoyong, expert document analyst formerly with the NBI, said the Inquirer during an interview in June long before the raid on his house on Wednesday. He said the majority of the "fabricated" election returns were from Cebu province and Cebu City.

SECRET INTERVIEW IN JUNE

Ex-NBI man is Loren's primary witness

By Luige A. del Puerto

SPECIAL REPORT

Emergency powers proposed for GMA

Maliksi: Not even GMA can force me to step down

Dengue express lanes set up in gov't hospitals

By Christian V. Esguerra



STARTING WITH A BANG. Outgoing Army Chief Lt. Gen. Generoso Senga who has assumed his post as President Arroyo's 8th AFP chief of staff turns over his command to his successor, the new controversial Philippine Army chief, Maj. Gen. Hermogenes Esperon, who's name is mentioned in the "Hello Garci" tapes.

Second FRONTPAGE

‘Expert’ goes wild with charges

Truck bomb attempt on US Embassy foiled

Bienvenido Tan acquittal affirmed

Editor-publisher Leticia Locsin; 72



OUTGOING Army Chief Lt. Gen. Generoso Senga (left) with successor Maj. Gen. Hermogenes Esperon during yesterday's turnover ceremonies at Fort Bonifacio.

New Army chief vows to get elusive Abu Sayyaf leader

With Bali bombers

But DOJ rejects host of raps vs opposition figures

SELF-PROCLAIMED audio expert Jonathan Tiongco yesterday filed with the Department of Justice charges of "conspiracy to commit sedition, insurrection and obstruction of justice" against opposition leaders and several others.

'Covert operations'

GMA still secure, says US bank Merrill Lynch

Marginal impact

BIR hikes July tax take but still falls short of goal

By Cynthia D. Balana

IMPROVING COLLECTION

Customs looks forward to 'ber' months

By Leila B. Salaverria



WALK TO REMEMBER

'JUETENG' PROBE

Pimentel, Lapid trade barbs on Senate floor

By Juliet Labog-Javellana

Stricken off

'You're the actor'

Nothing wrong with Charter, says EU envoy

Witnesses say GMA in tears after seeing bishop

Most vocal critics

'Confession'

No GMA fan

Backs impeachment

Dengue express lanes in gov't hospitals

Joker tells opposition: Stop whining

Numbers game

Simple formula

Man-to-man

Exceptional circumstances

No clear alternative

THE DAILY GOSPEL

US quota for tech job visas filled up for 2006



The WORLD

Venezuela plane crash kills 160

CARACAS—Investigators from Venezuela, Colombia and France converged Wednesday on a remote hillside in western Venezuela where a Colombian jetliner crashed in a ball of fire, killing all 160 people on board.



A RESCUE worker looks at the debris of West Caribbean Airways plane that crashed 150 miles west of Caracas, Venezuela, Aug. 16.

Cyprus vows to solve air crash mystery

At least 43 dead in wave of Baghdad car bombings

WORLDBRIEFS

Afghan copter crash kills 17

First executions in Iraq

New computer worms

Indonesia's independence

Bashir, 17 Bali bombers get reduced sentences

Russia says dangerous bird flu outbreak spreads



Israel starts forcible removal of Gaza settlers

Across the NATION

Shortage of blood for dengue feared

CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY—Dengue continues to wreak havoc in Mindanao with some regions fearing an imminent shortage of blood supply for transfusion to victims of the mosquito-borne disease.

ROUNDUP

American nabbed

Prawn school

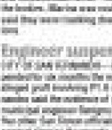
Organic rice boosted

IDs for disabled



Gold robbery

3 killed in brawl



Engineer suspended



BRISK BUSINESS

5 rebs, soldier, woman killed in Ecija encounter

Incoming ARMM gov forms team to pick Cabinet

Palparan gives self 6 months to end insurgency

Subanens get $12,000 US-funded foot bridge



Int'l group says rights abuses 'horrendous'

INQUIRER Southern Luzon



Challenges of a mining centerpiece

By Gil Francis G. Arevalo

WITHIN five years, a mining firm will make Bicol one of the richest, if not the richest, regions in the country, Environment Secretary Michael Defensor has predicted.



THE OPEN-PIT mining site of Lafayette in Rapu-Rapu, Albay

Metal contamination

Gold production

Fragile ecosystems



Health problems

The gov't sees the Rapu-Rapu mining project in Albay as a big source of revenues for Bicol, but can it strike a balance between economic dev't and environmental protection?

'Butanding'

SPORTS

Knights extend run; Dolphins rip Altas



Inspired UE faces Adamson

Keon sounds alarm over SEAG venues



Cardona gets ₱8 million, 3-year deal from Air21

Murakami grabs top spot

Eastridge, Riviera advance

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OPINION



Command

EDITORIAL

In aid of obliteration

VIEWPOINT

Juan L. Mercado

A modest proposal

(Conclusion)

THERE'S THE RUB

Conrado de Quiros

Grappling with the economic crisis

POLITICAL TIDBITS

Belinda Olivarez-Cunanan



Friday afternoons

YOUNG BLOOD

Roderick C. Perez

Save the tree of life campaign

HUMAN FACE

Ma. Ceres P. Doyo



The yardstick

Sincerity of convictions

THE LONG VIEW

Manuel L. Quezon III



What are they so proud of?

How about a referendum on GMA's stay in office?

Nation's sentinel

Ms Arroyo's isolated presidency



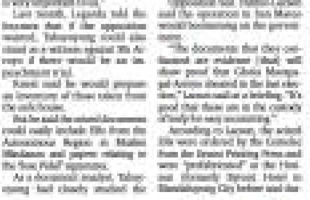




Opposition safe house raided

Ermita: Bring evidence to proper forum

Ex-NBI man is Loren's primary witness in poll protest vs Noli



Garci flees via Singapore for unknown place

Ping fears violence

London ruled out

Response to Remulla's request

Presentation of evidence

Mired in procedures

Overprint?

Emergency powers proposed for GMA

Similar to FVR's powers

Planners assumed $35/barrel

GDP

Conservation measures set

Maliksi: Not even GMA can force me to step down

Palace denial

New complaint

Not politically motivated





Overnight stay

Fastest suspension order

Oath-taking

Still Cavite's only gov

Confusion

EZ2 SUERTRES FOUR DIGIT
METRO
MEGALOTTO 6/45
₱31,904,907.30

Makati goes loco over coco-diesel



2 hurt in train mishap

Pasay tells NGOs to work with city

Support for NGOs

Truck driver says Edu punched him in Makati road incident



Ombudsman delaying case vs Binay et al.



ON TARGET

MKTI's reply to Tulfo

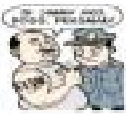
Metro

Metro Briefs

End of the road

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Nancy C. Carvajal



We know who you are!

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Alvin C. Dacles Jr.



Clean water for Manila

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Jo R. Uy

Manila opens 3 day care centers

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Gruesome find at dump in Taguig

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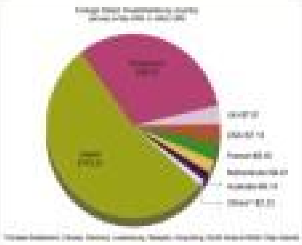
Chest docs lead Lung Month sports drive at QC Circle

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BUSINESS

Foreign investments slump 50% to $233M



By Doris C. Dumlao

THE SUBSTANTIAL amount of foreign direct investments (FDIs) pouring back to Asia after the currency turmoil of 1997 is hardly noticing the Philippines.

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RP attracting only inflow of short-term 'hot money'

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Gov't keeping growth target of 5.3% for 2005

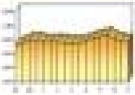
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CURRENCIES



STOCK MARKET

Stocks fall 0.4% on crude oil concerns



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PSE eases rule on listing of mining firms

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Wake up, little sushi

BREAKTIME



Conrado R. Banal III

Foreign

PSE . . .

DISCLOSURES



Retail sector sees 6% growth

Landbank nets ₱1.4B

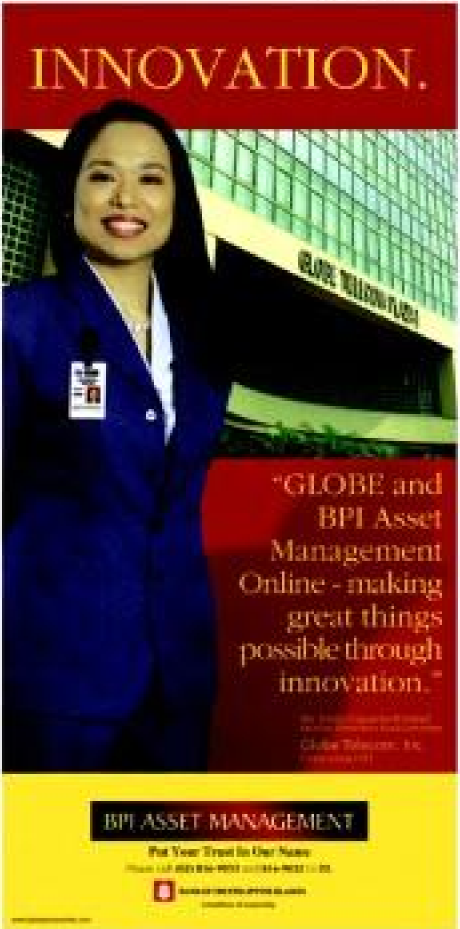
AUB income hits ₱431M

Allied Bank resources up

J. Boag posts 13% revenue hike









Barclays likely to upgrade RP rating

Smart asserts right over ETPI shares

Teves says no to power VAT exemption



Rising steel prices push up costs of cars, appliances

BusinessBriefs

US stocks drop on Wal-Mart oil warning

European shares open weakly

China facilitates corporate investments

Singapore July exports up 13%

US tech firms to invest $167M in Malaysia

Oil hugs $66 mark ahead of US data



High oil prices hurting Asian markets

US pushes for limits on Chinese clothing imports

WINNING recipe: Lubi-lubi /C4

LIFESTYLE

Is 'kare-kare' from curry?

KITCHEN RESCUE

Reggie Aspiras



I'M SO proud to be Pinoy this week because I discovered Fruity Coco, an all-natural protein drink made of coconut. It is 100-percent Pinoy-made! With no preservative, it is so refreshing and sweetened just right. Although being exported to Japan and Europe, it is now selling locally. Catch is, the local market likes it sweeter, so its nonfs-dietary sweet! Flavors are Coconut Melon and Coconut Pandan. Call Jean Ledesma at 7287275, 7804538.

The use of peanuts, candlenuts and shrimp paste is a giveaway that it's Asian

Bibingkang Galapong

Flour aka Bibingka Royale



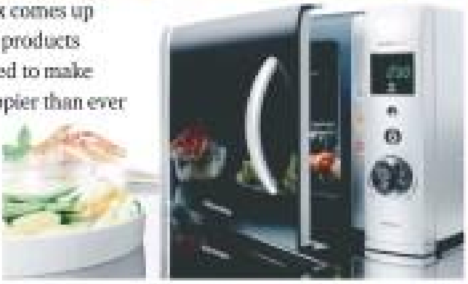
FRUITY Coco Natural Coconut Pandan Shake and Coconut Melon Shake





Kitchen-friendly as always

Electrolux comes up with new products guaranteed to make cooks happier than ever



'Bringing food to life'



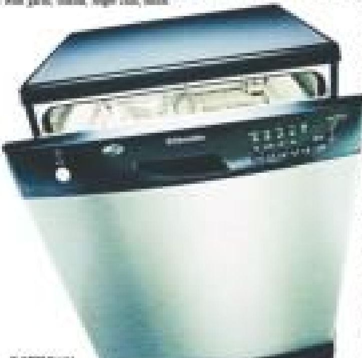
Other chefs

Comprehensive kitchen

Product development

Rellenong Talaba

Sugpo sa Gata



More dining horror stories

The Consumer
Marietta Velasco Gómez



THE COLUMN item last week about the good and the bad sides of eating out generated a lot of reaction from readers. Here are some of the readers' letters.

> 'Restaurant personnel, particularly front liners like waiters, are not really taught the importance of food hygiene'

What to do

Workshop for aspiring cooks

Cooking classes

MAYA Kitchen offers "Basic Waitering and Bartending" on Aug. 20 and 27, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Learn basic setup, techniques of suggestive selling, proper serving and bussing out, napkin folding and skirting, bar tools and glass ware, classification of wine and spirits, and simple garnish with actual mixing of cocktail drinks and wine tasting.



WINNERS of Chili's Star Bar Challenge

Lady wins top prize in bartending tilt

JOANA Marie Francisco, a lady bartender who recently competed in Chili's Star Bar Challenge for the first time, bagged the first prize in the bartending competition.

PDI FAMILY RECIPE CONTEST

Lubi-lubi, a recipe for family togetherness

By Elsa Milagros A. Rivera

MAKING lubi-lubi has always been a special event in our family. Every time I spend my vacation in Isabela, we always make time for us to make this dish.

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Lubi-lubi treat

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Send us your family recipes

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Make your own 'tapa,' 'tocino'

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TV GUIDE

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Twice the treat

Crowne Plaza Galleria offers two distinctly different dining options—Seven Corners and Xin Tian Di

By Pam Pastor
Photos by Raffy Lerma



INDULGENCE: The chocolate fountain at Seven Corners' Dessert Station



CHOICES, choices, choices at the Western Corner

SURE, the rooms are nice. But there's another reason people are flocking to the newly opened Crowne Plaza Galleria: Ortigas Road.

Seven Corners



JUST add hot water. Selections at the Asian Noodle Corner



FRESH greens at the Salad Station



WELL! Wonks will be proud. Chef Sommer's Champignon Pizza



SKEWERS at Seven Corners' Rotisserie Station



SEVEN Corners offers a lot of choices for discerning diners.



CHEF Cyrille Sommer

Twice the treat

From page C3



SAUTEED Fresh Scallops in XO Sauce



ASSORTED BBQ Meat Combination



FLYING Dragon Fish in Blue Cloud

filled with dried noodles at the Asian Noodle Corner and the candy jars filled with sweet treats at the Dessert Corner.

Seven Corners also has two function rooms that can seat 18-25 people. Total seating capacity is 170.

The breakfast buffet, which lasts from 6-10 a.m., is available for P750++. The lunch buffet, which one can avail of for P950++, starts at 12 noon and ends at 2:30 p.m. The dinner buffet, which costs P1050++, starts at 6 p.m. and ends at 10:30 p.m.

Diners also have the option of choosing just one station. They can choose from the Pizza, Italian, Asian Noodle or Dessert Corner for P450++ or the Japanese, Seafood and Salad or Western Corner for P550++.

Either way, chef Sommer will make sure that their dining experience is complete.

"There's something for everyone," he said. There definitely is.

Xin Tian Di

The name means "New Heaven and Earth" and for people who love authentic Chinese food, Xin Tian Di might just be the new heaven.

According to Fred Yuen, Chinese operations and restaurant manager for Crowne Plaza Galleria, the must-try dishes are the Xin Tian Di Heaven Platter (Assorted BBQ Meat Combination—BBQ Pork, Soya Chicken, Roasted Duck and Jelly Fish), the Flying Chicken (or Fish) in Blue Cloud (Thinly sliced chicken breast or fish stuffed with Chinese Ham, Black Mushroom and Green Vegetables with a touch of fine superior seafood stock), Sauteed Fresh Scallops in XO Sauce (served on a bed of fresh broc-



ASSORTED DIMSUM at Xin Tian Di



STEAMED Lohan Vegetable with Dried Scallop Sauce



DUCK Carving

coli), Beef in Black Pepper Sauce and Steamed Lohan Vegetable Received with Dried Scallop Sauce (selection of Baby Corn, Shanghai Green Cabbage Heart, Bamboo Mushroom and Black Mushroom served in Chinese Dried Scallop Broth).

They are especially proud of their Roasted Duck, which is imported from China and cooked using the latest duck oven technology. Diners can enjoy duck in different ways—they can order the whole duck or eat the Roasted Crispy Duck Skin Served with Pancake and Traditional Condiments and the Sauteed Minced Duck Meat with Assorted Vegetables which is served with Fresh Lettuce. They can also choose the Sauteed Chopped Duck in Spicy Salt or Stewed Duck Meat with Winter Melon and Black Bean Sauce in Clay Pot.

Lunch hours are from 12 noon to 3 p.m. and dinner is from 6:30 p.m. Xin Tian Di has five lounge rooms for dining privacy. Total seating capacity is 180.

Visit Seven Corners and Xin Tian Di at Crowne Plaza Galleria Manila, Ortigas Ave. cor. Asian Development Bank Ave., Quezon City. Call 6337222 or www.crowne-plaza.com

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PRIVATE rooms are available at Xin Tian Di